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RESPONSE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated June 27, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

The above-referenced patent application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action, dated June 27, 2002, in which: claims 27-43 are rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Sato in view of Tran et al. (hereinafter "Tran"). Reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 27-43 are pending. No claims have been cancelled, amended, or added.

The Examiner has rejected claims 27-43 under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Sato in view of Tran. This rejection by the Examiner of these claims is respectfully traversed.

Applicant believes that the Examiner may have inadvertently rejected these claims when he intended to allow them. In particular, in the parent patent application, US Patent Application Serial No. MF_HS\0364.doc-6/2/98-as